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October 27, 1993

Mr. William F. Caton
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
1919 M Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20036


Re: Docket No. 93-235

Dear Mr. Caton:

Enclosed are an original and five copies of a motion by Forest Industries Telecommunications. FIT is requesting an extension of time for filing Comments in the above referenced rulemaking proceeding.

Very truly yours,

FOREST INDUSTRIES TELECOMMUNICATIONS


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Amendment of Parts 15 and 90)
of the Commission's Rules to)
Provide Additional Frequencies)
for Cordless Telephones)

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TO; THE COMMISSION

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Forest Industries Telecommunications (FIT), pursuant to § 1.46 of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), in support of API's motion for extension of time, also submits a motion for Extension of Time to file Comments and Reply Comments in the above captioned proceeding.

I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

FIT is a national association representing nearly 2,000 member companies, involved in all phases of the forest products industry who employ radios licensed in the Forest Products Radio Service. These companies range in size from Fortune 500 companies to small family run businesses who employ their private radio systems for the protection of life and property in hazardous operations where forest fires are an ever present danger.

II. GENERAL

The Commission has proposed in this matter to amend its rules to permit the operation of cordless telephones on fifteen (15) channels in the 48/49 MHz bands that are currently dedicated for two-way mobile radio use in the Forest Products Radio Service and Petroleum. FIT membership includes many licensees in the Forest Products Radio Service (FPRS) who are authorized by the commission to employ these channels for critical mobile radio communication systems. These licensees are deeply concerned with the ultimate consequences that would follow adoption of the Commission's proposal. Accordingly, FIT and its Board of Directors are

currently engaged in an evaluation of the proposal and a review of the utilization made of those channels targeted for cordless telephone use.

III. MOTION FOR EXTENSION

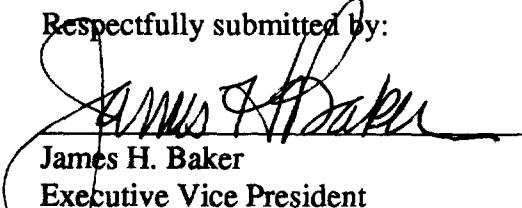
FIT is concerned that it will be unable to conduct the necessary research to properly respond to this proposal in the required time frame. Accordingly, the Commission is respectfully requested to extend the dates for filing Comments and Reply comments in this matter for a period of 30 days, that is until December 8, and 23, 1993, respectively.

By granting this motion, the Commission will provide adequate time by FIT to conduct its research regarding channel loading and usage by Forest Products Radio Service licensees on the requested frequencies and bring that research together and present it in a way that will fully respond to the proposal. By granting the motion, adequate time will be permitted for FIT to study fully the ramification of the one and same proposal, Docket No. 93-235.

The Commission observed in the Notice that manufacturers of cordless telephones have been seeking an expanded spectrum allocation since 1987. Consequently, it is submitted that the minimal extension sought by FIT and API will not have a material adverse effect on any known party. It will permit the thorough examination of all issues and submission of meaningful Comments by two organizations that represent a significant number of licensees who may be adversely affected by ultimate adoption of the rules changes proposed in this proceeding.

Wherefore, the Premises considered, Forest Industries Telecommunications respectfully requests the Federal Communications Commission to extend the dates for the filing of Comments and Reply Comments in this proceeding to December 8, and 23, 1993, respectively.

Respectfully submitted by:


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